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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to congratulate Dr. Douglas Parks of Grayslake on the occasion of his retirement as superintendent of Aptakisic-Tripp School District 102 in Buffalo Grove; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Parks received his master's and doctoral degrees from the University of Missouri at Kansas City; he has been in school administration in Illinois for almost 17 years and has consistently applied the belief of "What's Best for Children" as his decision screen; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Parks has four years of experience as the Chief Executive Officer of an intermediate school district in Iowa and, previous to that, several years experience as a central office administrator, an elementary principal, and fifth grade teacher in the Kansas City area; he was the Superintendent for the Special Education District of Lake County (SEDOL) before becoming the superintendent of Aptakisic-Tripp School District 102 in 1991; and

WHEREAS, His primary interest professionally has been a focus on the development of strategic planning that concentrates organizational energy toward the improvement of instructional programs to ensure the success of every student; he has become a legend in District 102 largely for his ability to unite the community to pass referendums and improve education; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Parks was instrumental in the development of District 102's "Universal Values of Integrity" which are the basis for the development of a foundation of ethical and moral behavior, which students should model throughout their lives; and

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Parks has facilitated the formation of a
2 vital, collaborative, and reciprocal partnerships among area
3 businesses and the school community and has demonstrated the
4 importance of fostering an appreciation of diversity and
5 recognizing the richness that diversity brings to children and
6 the community; and

7 WHEREAS, Dr. Parks is married to his wife, Elaine, and he
8 has three children and four grandchildren; therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
10 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
11 congratulate Dr. Douglas Parks on his retirement after many
12 years of dedication to his profession; and we wish him well in
13 all his future endeavors; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
15 presented to Dr. Douglas Parks as a token of our admiration.